

**Fee for Decisions on Applications to Alter
Lakes, Streams or Wetlands**

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State law requires that the Department charge a fee for processing your request to make changes to surface waters and wetlands. Each application requires the correct fee in order for review to begin. Please review the application information for the activity you plan in order to determine whether it is eligible for a general permit (GP) to determine the correct fee.

*** PLEASE SEE PAGE 2 OF THIS FORM FOR APPLICABLE FEE ***

After exemption determinations and general permit deadlines are met, individual applications are reviewed on a first in - first out basis (information on current average decision times is available on request). We will do our utmost to review your application and deliver a decision promptly.

An **expedited decision process** is available for a supplemental fee of \$2000. The expedited permit review guarantees a decision by an agreed-upon date. If you wish to request an expedited permit review, submit a letter with your application describing the time frame that will meet your needs, along with a check for the applicable permit fee and a separate check for the supplemental \$2000 fee. (The supplemental fee funds permit reviewers specifically designated for expedited decision-making). Within twenty days we will respond in writing, specifying any additional information needed for an expedited decision on your proposal, and the date by which we can make a decision once the application is complete.

Refunds of standard fees are made only if the refund is requested before we determine that the application is complete. Supplemental fees will be refunded if a decision is not made by the agreed-upon date.

After-the-fact applications, for permits or approvals submitted after work has been commenced or completed, require twice the usual fee. After-the-fact general permits are not available. Projects started or completed without obtaining the appropriate permits are subject to potential enforcement actions (e.g. monetary forfeitures or mandatory abatement).

Personally identifiable information on this form is not used for any other purpose than filing of this application but it may be made available to requesters under Wisconsin's open records law [s. 19.31-19.39, Wis. Stats.].

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT:

Permit/Approval Applied for
(see listing on Page 2)

Amount Enclosed

Signature of Applicant

Date Signed

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Fee Received \$ _____

☐ Check

☐ Money Order

Received by _____

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The Following Projects Do Not Require Fees:

Waterway projects funded in whole or in part by any Federal or State agency
Dam or wetland projects conducted by any Federal or State agency
Minor Dam Repairs

The list below identifies the required fee for many of the waterway and wetland permits, approvals, and determinations made by the Department of Natural Resources. Please review the application information on our Web page for the activity you plan to determine whether it is eligible for a general permit (GP) to determine the correct fee.

NOTE: Any activities not identified on this list will have a fee of \$300.

These Activities Require a \$50.00 Fee:

Activities authorized under a General Permit (GP) unless specified in lists below

Boathouse repair certification
Utility crossings (not more than 10) of waterway by vibratory plow method
Utility crossing (not more than one) of a wetland by vibratory plow method
Riprap projects on rivers and streams
Dam transfer of ownership where no inspection required

These Activities Require a \$300.00 Fee:

Bridge or culvert permanently placed on streams less than 35 feet wide (other than GP)
Dredging less than 3,000 cubic yards (other than GP)
Flowage drawdowns
Grading 10,000 square feet or more on the bank (GP)
Marathon County Generic Environmental Assessment (Non-metallic mining)
Pea gravel or sand blanket
Permanent boat shelter
Ponds not connected to a waterway, and not in wetland (generally, non-GP landscape and wildlife ponds)
Pond that discharges to navigable waters only during storm events (stormwater pond GP)
Private piers and swim rafts (when permit is required and other than GP)
Riprap projects other than GP (generally, Great Lakes)
Utility crossing by open-trench installation (GP or IP)
Small dam construction or modification on non-navigable stream
Structure on bed of stream or lake not otherwise listed (includes boat ramps, fords or similar structures not designed or located to be eligible for general permits)
Wetland Water Quality Certification

These Activities Require a \$500 Fee:

Barge fleeting
Breakwaters, revetments, groins, jetties, seawalls and solid piers on Lakes Michigan and Superior
Bridge or culvert on streams greater than 35 feet wide
Channel change
Commercial or municipal multi-slip pier or marina
Consolidated annual utility crossing permit for more than 10 utility crossings (non-trench methods)
Cranberry production activities affecting more than two acres of wetlands
Dam removal
Dam construction or modification (except small dams on non-navigable streams)
Dam transfer of ownership and/or financial responsibility approval (where inspection required)
Diversion for agricultural/commercial irrigation or diversion in excess of 2 million gallons for 30 consecutive days
Dredging more than 3,000 cubic yards
Grading 10,000 square feet or more on the bank (non-GP)
Municipal bulkhead line approval
Municipal lakebed grants (review of legislation and use agreements)
Municipal waterway enclosure
Non-metallic mining (e.g. gravel extraction) where waterway permit is required
Pond discharging to a waterway during storm events (non-GP)
Pond connected to a waterway by a navigable surface channel
Seawall on inland waters (other than GP for seawall replacement)
Waterway enlargement
Water level order or permit, or flow decisions related to dams
Wetland fill projects involving mitigation

Supplemental Fee for Expedited Permit Decisions: \$2000 (See Page 1 for procedure)

After-the-fact Permit Fee: double the applicable fee